

SPORTS

WILLIE JACKSON IS NEW RING 'PHENOM'

LANKY NEW YORKER CREATED SENSATION OVER NIGHT BY PUTTING AWAY THE "SCOTCH WOP"—IS ANXIOUS TO MEET WELSH OR KILBANE.

About three years ago a slim, angular youngster just past sixteen knocked at the door of Tom McArdle, match-maker of the Fairmount Athletic club in New York and asked to be put on in a preliminary bout. He explained that he had been boxing every night at a little club in Harlem and was "fast on his feet." McArdle looked him over and put him on in a four round bout. The youngster weighed only ninety-eight pounds then, but he won. In those days preliminary boxers were permitted to sell tickets to their friends whenever they appeared, and the proceeds were split 50-50 with the club. It was due to this that the ninety-eight pound kid got just \$9 for his first fight.

Recently in Philadelphia the same boy sprang the little sensation of the decade by knocking out Johnny Dundee in less than a round. Dundee had never suffered a decisive defeat before, and he has fought them all with credit—Freddie Welsh, Johnny Kilbane, Charley White, Willie Ritchie and a string of others throughout the country. Today this youngster, fighting under the name of Willie Jackson (his real name is Oscar Tobler, of Jewish parentage) is in a position to demand \$5,000 for his next ring appearance. And who is it he wants to fight next? Why, nobody but Freddie Welsh, the light-weight champion. Justly proud of his feat of putting Dundee away, this boy (he won't be twenty till July) is bubbling over with confidence that he can do the same thing to Welsh. "I weigh only 128 pounds, but I will let Welsh come in at 135, his own English limit," he said, and his eyes sparkled at the prospect of knocking the champion out.

"How about Johnny Kilbane?" he was asked. Jackson plainly showed he wasn't over enthusiastic about that proposition, having fought Kilbane last year, the referee stopping the contest in the fifth round.

"Kilbane, I think, is the greatest fighter in the world," Jackson finally answered, and added Manager Bagley. "We would sooner fight Welsh at 140 pounds than Johnny at 120."

Jackson interrupted at this point to give a line on his career so far. He said he had scored only four knock-outs, including Dundee.

"I would have had more," he explained, "only I was too tight. Now that I have put on some weight watch me. I fought only one four-round bout and three sixes before I got into the ten round class. One of my first tens was with Frankie Burns of Jersey City. He weighed 120 and I was 112. Yes, he beat me," Jackson frankly admitted.

Manager Bagley wanted to say something now, and Jackson let him have the floor.

"Understand," he began, "that there was nothing of a flake about this Dundee knockout. It was most deliberate. Dundee tore in and belted Willie over the heart with his right, and as he did

SCOOP

Engage in Naval Battle.

Starved Rock, Ill., May 12, 1917—(Special by wire)—Our fleet of two canoes and a row boat met the enemy at Starved Rock on the night of May 11, 1917, and a serious battle followed. Captain Ballard shelled the Kaia-croff, which sank in fourteen minutes after the encounter started. The sinking of two of the enemy ships at the Utica bridge has been reported here. Dispatches from Twin Bluffs stated that six German war vessels passed thru the Illinois and Michigan canal.

Fighting on Eastern Front.

Marseilles, Illinois, May 12, 1917—(Special by wire)—The enemy was repulsed today in a fierce encounter. Early Friday morning the cook was preparing fish, when he sighted the enemy advancing. Captain Bud Follett and fifteen men sought shelter behind a large box and operations were begun. Fourteen of the enemy were killed, two were injured in our ranks.

Irish Crosses Given.

The appearance of President Wilson along the southern line at Grand Ridge has aroused considerable enthusiasm. Sgt. Paul Roberts of the aviation corps was presented with an iron cross for his bravery in a recent aviation battle. Commanding Officer Joseph Dougherty of the Light Brigade has been promoted, and will leave for the eastern war theatre, where he will have complete charge of operations. Captain Langan has been instructed, it is said, to prepare for another drive on Streator, where the enemy is entrenched.

This Is One for Discussion.

Here's one for the Bazoo Club to discuss next Sunday afternoon. In an article I read direct from the society's pen was: "They held the dance in there hall." This seems to the operator of the No. 10 that this is a funny place to have a dance.

Willie looked him on the jaw. You know how Johnny sticks his head down and tears in when he's strong. Well, in he came again. Willie tried stabbing him off with his good left, but Johnny got in close enough to hook his right for the heart again. Willie was waiting for him this time. He had his right drawn back to his side, poised in much the same way Kilbane holds his right till it's ready for use. He just moved it enough to let Johnny's hook to the body glance off his elbow and then let it go to Dundee's chin. They were up against the ropes at the time, and after landing his wallop Willie slipped back and let Johnny fall right on his face. That's all there was to it.

Jackson is tall and rangy. He is regarded as a shifty combination of the fighter and boxer and, as he repeated, is "fast on his feet." He looks like a cross between Abe Attell and Jimmy Coffey, the Mohawk Indian. He might be taken for an Italian, but he's Jewish.

A Regular Time

At the fourth annual Moose dance at Willis' hall, from 9 to 1, Thursday evening, Feb. 8th. Stoke's saxophone orchestra. Tickets 50c.

COLLEGE FIVE IN GAME WITH HIGHS

Pleasant View, Luther College basketball team will clash this afternoon with the Ottawa high school team at the school "gym" at 4 o'clock. Whitney's youngsters succeeded in defeating the Helgen crew in their first encounter and hope to repeat the trick today. A large number of Luther College rooters will be on hand to witness the game. The title will be hard fought all the way thru. As a certain raider an inter-class game will be staged.

GOOD GAMES FOR FANS TONIGHT

Lovers of indoor baseball are anticipating an interesting game this evening, when the Masons and Federal Phile and K. of C. and Moose hook up. The veteran Cy Clegg will do the serving for the Masonic tribe, while Helberg is slated to go the route for the class makers. The Moose hope to avenge a defeat suffered earlier in the year, and promise to make the going interesting for Dan Riordan et al. The speed of Riordan is greatly feared by all of the city league bludgeon wielders.

MATCH COLE WITH FLYNN THIRD TIME

Maurice Flynn, of Chicago, and Billie "Red" Cole, of St. Louis, who staged a rattling good fight, will mix it a third time.

Promoter James Keys, of La Salle, hooked the boys up last night for the show of Feb. 20th, when they will appear in one of the double-wind-ups. Cole holds a victory over Flynn, and Tuesday night was a draw so the fans can see nothing but another of the peppery ones like the first two.

In the other half of the Feb. 20th show, "Goats" Edg, who seconded Cole last night, will mix it with Al Doty, a Canton, Ohio, product, who has some real goods.

Streator has announced a show for the night of Feb. 22, with Teddy Oster fighting an opponent not yet selected.

DENVIR TELLS OF RACING MEASURE

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 8.—"If they don't like one they can have the other."

This was the attitude taken by Senator John T. Denvir, of Chicago, booster of a plan to revive the racing game in Illinois today when questioned about his introduction of a second bill in the senate covering points already taken care of in his first proposed measure.

"I understand that there is some opposition to my first draft," Denvir said. "If the objectors are strong enough to beat it the second draft may eliminate some of the objectionable features."

The Senator said that when he went to the state house yesterday he found a fifty page booklet with the title "The Fraud of Pari-Mutuel Betting" on his desk. He said he thought it was a joke of some of his fellow legislators.

The new bill does not provide for a referendum vote. Instead of placing the control of racing associations with a special body it gives it to the board of supervisors or county commissioners where the races are held. It provides that five per cent. of the net profits of the racing meets shall be turned over to the county. Senator Denvir's idea is that it may be used for good roads.

THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN



YOUNG KID HERMAN WILL MEET ERTLE

Young Kid Herman, of Pekin, Ill., who put up such a corking good contest with Johnnie Ritchie, of Chicago, in La Salle in December, has been matched to box Johnnie Ertle, at Milwaukee on February 18th. From the work of Herman in La Salle with Ritchie local admirers expect him to make a good showing against the self-styled champion. The bout will be one of ten rounds duration.

Salke Kelly, of Chicago, and McCarthy, of San Francisco, appear on the same card. Kelly has three bouts this month and Doc Krone claims one of them may be with Goats Dolg.

TEX RICKARD BEST FIGHT PROMOTER

Tex Rickard is the sort of a man who can see his way over obstacles. He has proven to the satisfaction of the little public that he has business ability, and that when it comes to the promoting game he bats around 300 all the while.

So it was not surprising when Rickard and lost Madison Square Garden, which he had hoped for months to leave, that he cooked up a new plan to uphold his place in the spotlight as a promoter of things a-fist.

Tex announced recently that he may build a large stadium and sporting club in New York. He has his eye on a site along Riverside Drive which is now occupied by buildings belonging to a gas company, and he says that if his plans work out as he hopes, a syndicate, of which he will be the head, will erect the largest sporting club in the world.

With the warmer months coming soon, Rickard is not making haste with plans for the building of a big sporting club. He has his eye on the calendar, and along in May and June he has hopes of staging several boxing shows in the open air. He will rent one of the major league ball parks for his shows, and he says that he will offer only the best attractions to the public.

FOURNIER AFTER BATTING EYE

Chicago White Sox First Baseman Trying New Scheme.

Jack Fournier, utility man of the Chicago White Sox, is sacrificing a perfectly good room at his home in Aberdeen, Wash., to regain, if possible, his batting eye.

He has rigged up a baseball on a rubber cord and swings at it with his bat. The harder he hits it the harder it returns, and it is necessary for him to keep his eye on the ball every instant to avoid evil consequences.

Fournier slipped in 1916 and wound up the season with a percentage of only .240. He insists that he will be back in the 300 class the coming season.

Shows Speed on Motorcycle.

J. Booth is reported having covered a mile in thirty-five seconds on his motorcycle on an Adelaide (Australia) road in the recent speedy races there.

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The Proper Study of Mankind. When Alexander Pope said "The proper study of mankind is man" he meant well, but he was wrong. The proper study of mankind is woman—that is to say, if you want to find out about men in general ask women. Men seldom reveal themselves to each other, but they are constantly revealing themselves to women. In dealing with each other men merely show their more superficial characteristics, but in their associations with women they keep nothing back. It is absolutely impossible for a man to keep a secret from a discerning woman. The uttermost vagaries of his soul quickly become her possession after a brief acquaintance.—Life.

"Pemmican" a Cree Word. The word "pemmican" really means a sausage. According to Father A. Lacombe's Cree-French dictionary, it is a Cree word, derived as follows: "Pim" (noun), grease, fat; pimlwiw, greasy; pimlkwew, the act of making greasy; pimlkwewin, the act of making pimlwan, greasy, etc.; pimlikkan, a buzz filled with a mixture of grease and pounded meat.

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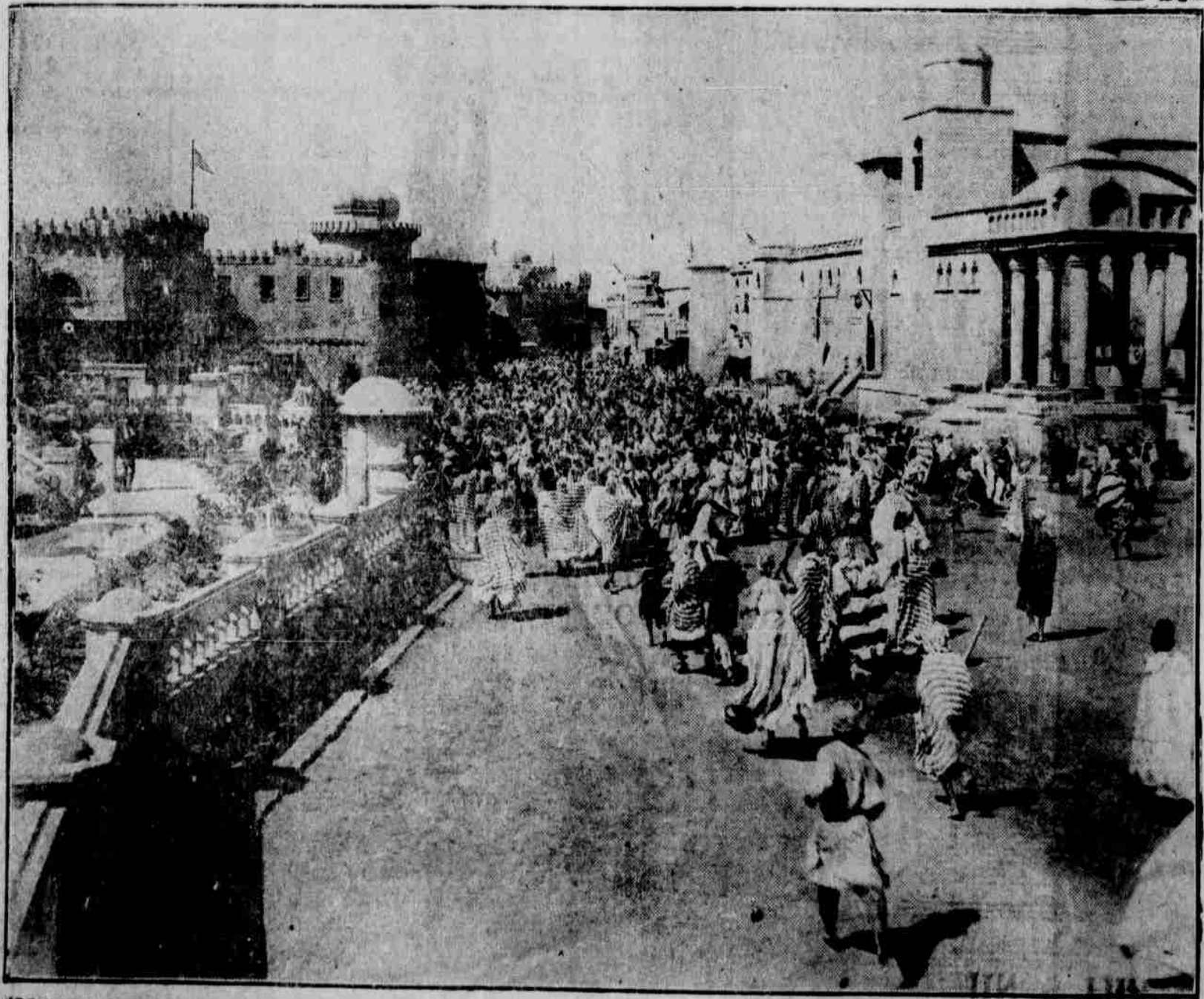
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